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## HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CHR. DE GUIGNÉ,  
Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1876.

## HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

## LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG,  
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Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

## HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

## FOR SALE.

THE SOCIETY'S PIANO. May be seen in the CITY HALL. Tenders to be sent to the Undersecretary before the 15th instant.

ROBERT G. ALFORD,  
Hon. Secretary.

2, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, May 9, 1876. my10

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

I have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procuration.  
A. MACG. HEATON.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr EDWARD WHITFIELD in our Firm ceased on the 30th April last.  
We have authorized Mr HERBERT SMITH to sign our Firm.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. my15

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS,  
E. Q. RAY.  
Bank Buildings,  
Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

### NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Haiphong and Hanol. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr J. ALABOR in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last. The Business will be carried on under the style of MEYER & CO.

MEYER, ALABOR & Co.  
Hongkong, April 23, 1876. my29

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed SURVEYOR to LLOYDS REGISTER at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS.  
1, Club Chambers,  
Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

## For Sale.

### JUST RECEIVED.

Ex French Mail Steamer "MBI-KONG."

YELLOW CHARTREUSE, (pints and quarts)

Extra fine SALAD OIL, from (Bessede, Marseilles).

Imperial PRUNES, in Glass Jars.

Sicilian NUTS.

JAMS, JELLIES & FRUITS, assorted.

Fine French SAUSAGES, in 1 lb. tins.

Assorted PASTE for SOUP.

French CANVAS, assorted, Nos. 1 to 6.

French NAVY SOAP.

Marseilles SAUSAGE, { Quite Fresh.

LYON SAUSAGE, {

MESS PORK in barrels of 100 lbs., or by retail.

CHAMPAGNE VINEYARD PRO-

DUCEUR'S BRANDY.

BISQUIT Dubouché BRANDY.

St. Emilion-Dinner CLARET.

Haut Sauterne, WHITE WINE.

ANCHO VIES, in oil.

Superior CLARET, bottled by the Under-

signed, \$2 per doz.

TUNNY FISH, in oil.

Superior WHITE VINEGAR.

TAPIOCA.

Julienne SOUP, in 1 lb. tin.

TRUFFLES.

MACARONI & VERMICELLI.

French extra fine TOBACCO.

Just Landed Ex S. S. "A.V.A."

PEPPERMINT, quarts and pints.

BENEDICTINE, quarts and pints.

French CLAY PIPES.

Raspail's extra fine LIQUOR.

French Smoked HAMS.

Solomon BEANS.

VANILLA.

CLARET from Bordeaux.

" " Marseilles.

" To Suit Purchasers.

Raspail's GENUINE LIQUOR from Paris.

Fine White BREAD, in loaves and rolls, manufactured from the finest California Flour, and in the Parisian fashion.

F. VINCENOT,  
French Bakery, No 2, Peel Street,  
Hongkong, May 3, 1876. je2

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY.

ON and after this Date, the Price of our ICE will be ONE CENT per Pound.

KYLE & BAIN.  
Ice Depot, Duddell Street,  
Hongkong, May 4, 1876. my18

### NOTICE.

TUDOR COMPANY.

ON and after this Date, the Retail Price of our NATURAL ICE will be ONE CENT per Pound.

JOHN F. HORGAN,  
Agent.  
Tudor Ice House,  
Hongkong, May 4, 1876. it

## For Sale.

SAYLE & Co. have opened their first delivery of New Goods for the coming Season, to which they invite special attention.

Ladies' and Children's Ready-made Costumes in a variety of Styles.

Morning Wrappers in Embroidered Linen, Printed, Cambric, White Brilliant and Muslin.

French Toilet Jackets.

Richly Embroidered Cambric Skirts.

A Large Assortment of Dress Materials in all the newest designs.

French Millinery of the latest fashions.

Boys' Holland Suits & Pinafors.

Ladies' Underclothing.

Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes.

Also,  
A fresh supply of the "Little Wanzel" Sewing Machines.

Agents for Hongkong.

SAYLE & Co.,  
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,  
Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

## FOR SALE.

In One Lot, or in Lots to suit Purchasers.

THE BUILDINGS, MACHINERY and LAND belonging to the BIEN HOA SUGAR FACTORY (Cochin China), consisting of—

FIVE SUGAR MILLS, with accessories complete, Sheet-iron Troughs, Copper Boilers, Vacuum Pans, Five Turbines with Independent Engines, Concretors, &c., &c., &c.

Machines for Adjusting and Fitting, Turning Lathe, Boring Machine, &c., &c., &c.

One Gas Machine.

One Steam-Crane.

Spare Materials, Iron and Copper Pipes of various dimensions, &c., &c.

One Tug Boat, 50 H.P., 70 Tons, in good order.

One Steam Launch.

Fifteen large native Cargo Boats, in good order.

The Land and Buildings of the Estate, situated on the River.

The Estate of Lacan Bienhoa Province, comprising an area of about 300 Hectares, mostly cultivated.

Apply to

THE BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, SAIGON.

April 25, 1876. my25

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having been for 18 years in this port as Ship's Compro-dore and Stevedore, has always on hand

FOR SALE.

First Class Tea Ballast, at 55 cents per ton.

Second " " " " " " " "

Blue Stone Ballast, " " " " " "

Stone Ballast, " " " " " "

Coolies for discharge, " 6 " "

ing Rice, " " " " " "

Coolies for discharge, " 7 " "

ing General Cargo, " " " "

Also,

Fresh PROVISIONS, Oilman's STORES, Paints, Oil, &c., &c. can be had at more moderate rates for Shipmasters than anywhere else at this port. If any Shipmasters require my services, they will please hoist No. 5 Flag on the main mast, or apply to No. 57, Praya West (between the Canton Steamers' Wharves).

AH YON,  
Ship's Compro-dore and Stevedore.  
Hongkong, May 2, 1876. au2

## ON SALE.

THE

CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary Reference.

BY

WILLIAM FREDERICK MATYER.

Price: \$2.

Shanghai, KELL & Co.

Hongkong, CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs Douglas Laprak & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on account of the concerned, on

### THURSDAY,

the 11th instant, at Noon, at his Office, Marine House, Queen's Road,—

The wrecked Str. "KWANGTUNG," now lying on shore on the South-East end of the Island of Ockseu.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7, payable on the fall of the hammer, and the wreck to be at purchaser's risk from that time.

W. KERFOOT HUGHES,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, May 5, 1876. my11

### INTIMATIONS.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1863.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

### AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPRODORE AND STEVEDORE,

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

### KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS,

Essen (Germany).

Sole Agent for China,

F. PELL,

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, COLOON & (Germany).

### IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUC-

TION OF THE PRICE OF THE

"SHANGHAI COURIER AND CHINA GAZETTE,"

IT WILL BE THE

CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA

and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION

MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE

ADVANTAGE TO

ADVERTISERS

IS OBVIOUS.

### NOTICE.

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

THE "HINDOSTAN," leaving here with the Mails of the 20th inst., and subsequent Mail Steamers, until further notice, will proceed direct to Southampton.

A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 8, 1876.

### HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM and after WEDNESDAY, the 10th instant, and until further notice, the Steamer "POWAN" will run between Hongkong and Macao on alternate days, leaving Hongkong on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays; and Macao on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at 9 a.m.

By Order,

P. A. DA COSTA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 8, 1876.

### COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

THE DOCKS being now completed, are capable of DOCKING any size VESSELS requiring this Port, and executing any REPAIRS required.

A large quantity of SPARS, LUMBER, IRON, COPPER, YELLOW METAL, &c., &c., always kept in Stock at cheap rates.

Length of Dock, 455 Feet.

Breadth do., 92 "

Depth of Water, Springs, 24 "

do. do., Neaps, 21 "

The following Rates will be charged until further notice:—

Recoopering, including Dockage, Shoring, Labor, Felt, Pitch, Tar and Oakum, 80 cents per Sheet.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dockage, 2 Coats Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 35 cents per Ton Gross Register.

Painting Iron Steamers, including Dockage, 1 Coat Paint and 1 Coat Tallow, 80 cents per ton Gross Register.

For further particulars, apply to

W. B. SPRATT & Co.,  
9, Praya East,  
Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,  
WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,  
38, Queen's Road,  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,  
CHRONOMETERS,  
&c., &c., &c.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. it

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Steamship

"NORDEN,"

Captain JAYSEN, will leave for the above Ports on

WEDNESDAY, the 10th inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 4, 1876. my10

### FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Steamer

"ZAMBUANGA,"

ARECHAVALA, Master, will be despatched as above on THURS-

DAY, the 11th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, May 8, 1876. my11

### OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship

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## Intimations.

**WANTED.**  
An experienced European female to accompany a family with 3 children to England. Terms, a first passage. Applications to be sent to the Office of this paper, addressed "A. B. C." Hongkong, April 11, 1876. my11

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.**  
Owing to the inclemency of the weather the departure of the Steamship "DOUGLAS" for the above Ports is postponed until THURSDAY, the 11th inst., at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, May 9, 1876. my11

**FOR MANILA.**  
The Spanish Steamer "SORSOGON," Captain LIZARRA, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 11th inst., at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, May 9, 1876. my11

**FOR MANILA.**  
The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Captain THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 13th inst., at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON, Agent. Hongkong, May 9, 1876. my13

**FOR SHANGHAI.**  
Owing to the inclemency of the weather the departure of the Steamship "GLENFINLAS" is postponed until further notice. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents S. S. Shenhai. Hongkong, May 9, 1876. my16

**FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.**

The S. S. Penguin having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 9, 1876. my16

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

ALMA, German barque, Capt. Lehmyer. —Melchers & Co.

LIZIE, British barque, Captain John Inakay. —Broadbent, Anthony & Co.

TARTAR, German brig, Capt. Kaemena. —Melchers & Co.

ORAGO, British barque, Capt. Snadden. —Melchers & Co.

IPHIGENIA, German barque, Captain Matzen. —Wm. Pustau & Co.

MARGARITA, British ship, Capt. Owens. —Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

HOPE, British barque, Captain Boulton. —Gibb, Livingston & Co.

COKEE, American ship, Captain William M. Bray. —

WILLIAM MANSON, British barque, Capt. G. King. —Adamson, Bell & Co.

LOUISA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain H. Shierloh. —Eduard Schellhaus & Co.

BEUTER WIL, British ship, Captain J. Brantwaite. —

WODAN, German barque, Capt. Meyer. —Wm. Pustau & Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

May 8, Africa, Portuguese troopship, 900, Captain Marques, Macao May 8.

May 9, Duna, British steamer, 852, Thomson, Saigon May 4, Rice. —GILMAN & Co.

May 9, Amoy, from Canton. —

May 9, Cassandra, German steamer, 947, Langer, Bangkok, Rice. —JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

May 9, Tanais, French steamer, 1,726, Reynier, Yokohama May 3, General. —MESSAGIERIE MARITIME.

May 9, Anna, German barque, W. Jensen, Newchwang April 22, Beans. —Wm. Pustau & Co.

May 9, Penguin, British steamer, 1,122, Cowell, Calcutta April 23, Penang 20, and Singapore 21, General. —JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

May 8, Fernambuco, for Saigon.

9, Blue Bell, (at-launch), for Singapore.

9, Leonor, for Manila.

## OLDFAR.

Anchises, for Shanghai.

Candia, for Saigon.

John Sverdrup, for Bangkok.

Jylland, for Newchwang.

Douglas, for Swatow, &c.

Cyprianes, for Saigon.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.—Per Tanais, for Hongkong, Mrs Burrows and servant, Messrs T. E. Hawkins and Francis. For Marcellles, Capt. O. L. Bruhn, Messrs F. de Canlier, J. Inoue and Pontet.

Per Cassandra, 20 Chinese.

Per Penguin, Mr. Holm, Mrs. Sotherland and 201 Chinese.

DEPARTED.—Per Leonor, Messrs Samuel Ashton and Milne.

To DEPART.—Per Anchises, Mr. and Mrs. Dagenberg and sundry Chinese deck.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Duna reports first part light winds and fine weather, latter strong N.E. winds and high seas.

The British steamer Penguin reports first part of passage fine weather to Singapore; Singapore to Paracoe's fine weather, thence to port heavy gale from N.E. with very high seas from the S.E. accompanied with constant rain. Made the Ladrones at 11 a.m. this morning, the weather being very thick, and took our way in with the

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.—

For SINGAPORE & PENANG.—

Per NORDEN, at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th inst.

For BANGKOK.—

Per RAJANATTIANUHAIR, at 4.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.—

Per DOUGLAS, at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 11th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For MANILA.—

Per SORSOGON, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 11th inst.

For SWATOW.—

Per JEDDAH, at 2 p.m. on Thursday, the 11th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet MEIKONG, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 13th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked "ad to Galle only;" they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:

Friday, 12th May.—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 13th May.—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, Saigon, or Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 15 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, April 28, 1876. my13

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet CITY OF PEKING will be despatched on MONDAY, the 15th inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:

2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post Office closes.

2.50 p.m. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents).

The following are the charges on Correspondence thus sent:—

Per half ounce.

Hongkong U.S. Stamps 1 cent.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, &c. 8 3

Aspinwall, Bermuda, Bogota, Carthage, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curacao, Fiji, Greenland, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West Indies, &c. 8 5

Hawaii, Newfoundland, &c. 8 6

Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela, &c. 8 10

Belize, Greytown, Guiana, Honduras, Martinique, Santa Martha, Turk's Island, &c. 8 13

Brasilia, &c. 8 17

Bolivia, Ecuador, Chili, Peru, Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay, Uruguay, &c. 8 23

Newspapers (not over 4 oz) 2 4

Books, &c., per 4 oz. 6 10

Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers or Book Packets (as silk scarves, jewellery, &c.) will be detained.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, May 1, 1876. my16

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet HINDOSTAN will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 20th inst.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:

Friday, May 19.—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 20.—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

10.10 a.m. Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 15 cents extra postage until

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 45 cents extra postage.

11.50 a.m. Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, May 8, 1876. my20

## General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, May 11.—

10 a.m.—Douglas leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Fochow.

Noon.—Sorsogon leaves for Manila.

Noon.—Sale of the wreck of the Steamer Kwangtung, at Mr. W. Kerfoot Hughes' office.

4 p.m.—Zamboanga leaves for Manila.

FRIDAY, May 12.—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, May 13.—

Noon.—Emeralda leaves for Manila.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Forts of Call and Europe.

MONDAY, May 15.—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

TUESDAY, May 16.—

Goods per Anchises undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, May 25.—

Antenor leaves for London on or about this date.

THURSDAY, June 1.—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer Oceania leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

2 p.m.—Norden leaves for Singapore and London.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

The attention of Advertisers is respectfully drawn to the fact that a copy of the China Mail has for some time past been placed on board of every Steamer and Sailing Vessel on arrival in this Harbour. Facilities which have recently been placed within the reach of Captains and Officers of Ships have resulted in a material increase to the Subscription List of the Mail amongst the shipping in port; and as special arrangements have been made to increase the usefulness of the Shipping List and to extend the circulation in the Bay, these advantages will be at once apparent to Advertisers.

Orders may be sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,

China Mail Office.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.35 p.m.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 9, 1876.

The publication in Saturday's Gazette of the Treaty between France and Annam, together with the Custom House regulations for the port of Haiphong, draws attention to the little known port regarding which we are expecting in a few days a report from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Enquiries made on our own behalf have placed us in possession of a few facts which, though doubtless less exhaustive than those which will be found in the report, may be of interest. Like its sister port in Hainan, Haiphong does not appear to offer any very great temptation to speculative minds to tempt fortune by "striking out a new line," as mercantile men say. First of all, the Haiphong of popular imagination has yet to be created. If the first evidences of American settlement are to be found in the erection of a prison, a newspaper office, and a church on the site chosen, those of French occupation may with equal truth be described as a barracks, a Government house and market. But as yet Haiphong lacks these distinguishing features, consisting mainly of a huge mud bank overlooked by two forts, in which all that is official, medical and ecclesiastical, at that port is as yet housed. A remarkably dirty village or concentration of villages constitutes the Haiphong of actual fact, the chief "business" done by its inhabitants seeming to consist in perennial efforts to keep body and soul together. In one respect it has an advantage over Hoihow. Vessels can anchor within a respectable distance of the shore, and though typhoons occasionally visit it, they do not seem to be quite as destructive as those felt in Hainan. It cannot perhaps be said that native junk show any very great appreciation of this fact, inasmuch as a dozen at the outside are all that are as a rule to be seen anchored there. But still Haiphong has possibilities in this way which may some day lead to its becoming an important place of resort. This can arise under two conditions only—viz., that of the coal mines in the immediate neighbourhood being opened and worked, or that of permitting rice to be exported—two conditions to which the Annamite Government will not as yet consent. We may, by the way, point out as we use the word "Annamite" that Haiphong is the port of Hanoi, the capital of Tonquin, which country was conquered by Annam many years ago. The word "Tonquin" has therefore given way to "Annamite" or "Annamese" whichever grammarians prefer, and the Treaty made by France is with the King of Annam.

Hanoi, the actual capital and real commercial centre of Tonquin, is a very different place to Haiphong. It has a large population, is fairly clean, and does a large trade both with the outer world and with the interior. Like the Chinese, the Annamites could not of course resist killing the goose that laid the golden eggs, directly foreign intercourse promised to still further develop its trade. The treaty specifies a certain rate of duty to be levied on imports and exports. The former cannot be interfered with, but at Haiphong and Hanoi only were specified as the points of embarkation

for exports, the native mandarins saw their way to a good squeeze by heavily taxing every article sent to either port for shipment. As a natural consequence, trade is languishing in a way that promises but small advantages to merchants. Why the French, who are accustomed to deal with Asiatic races, in a way that savours of the strong arm, should tolerate such a state of affairs, is a puzzle. But we hear whispers that the Home Government is by no means anxious to increase its responsibilities in Cochin-China, and that it would have preferred that Tonquin had for some time longer been left to itself. However this may be, the fact remains that the native officials are breaking the spirit of the Treaty in the most glaring manner. The Capital lies some fifty miles in a direct line from Haiphong, though the devious course, alone possible to cargo-boats, makes the actual distance to be passed over nearly three times as great. This of course operates also to prevent men-of-war from frequently visiting the city, and the mandarins take full advantage of the fact.

Hanoi imports a small quantity of Cotton goods, but has hitherto drawn its supplies from Pakhoi or Canton. No doubt, the advent of foreign steamers will effect some change in this, but there are as yet no signs of any activity on the part of local houses in this direction. The exports are unimportant, with the exception of (spurious) gambier, which finds a ready sale in South China, being used extensively in dying the Cotton cloth which clothes the Chinese coolies. Tin from Yunnan is an article of export, as are also hides, rattans, tea, nutmegs and vanilla. But the trade in these goods is as yet too small to offer much in the way of freight. As the French themselves admit, the importance of Haiphong and Hanoi consists in the fact that they lie on the highway to Yunnan. At present this fact cannot be utilized owing to the present disorganized condition of the whole province. Banditti of all sorts, black, white and yellow, conspire to make the route unsafe and to effectually check anything like trade development. If France were in earnest in opening up Tonquin, she would make short work with these ruffians. But we fear that such an enterprise is not her rôle. The repression of brigandage, and the establishment of effective but liberal regulations regarding commerce, are useful undertakings, but they promise little in the way of glory. Moreover, any such effects will benefit other people rather than Frenchmen, who are the worst of commercial as they are the best of military colonists.

As yet the ubiquitous Chinaman has enjoyed the principal benefits of French occupation. Some 900 Chinese reside at Haiphong and have entirely monopolized everything that requires skill, hard work or commercial "savvy." "As lazy as an Annamite" is fast passing into a proverb, and it would appear, with good reason. The few Frenchmen who have availed themselves of the new opening are, as a rule, content to deal in stores which, though affording a fair profit, give no opportunity for business on an extended scale. A few foreign agents at Hanoi would have a good chance of pushing foreign piece goods, and the lucky man that transports a good cargo to Yunnan will doubtless find it very much to his advantage. But of Haiphong we must confess to feeling very dubious as a place of mercantile residence. It may be the Whampoa of a flourishing Canton, but will be little else, unless its coal mines are developed, and that does not seem likely to take place for some time. Annam is in fact very like China. It is obstructive and insolent when it dares to be so, and has besides some real difficulties in preserving order in its own territories. If it is ever to become a scene of busy trade with the outer world, its banditti must be exterminated and its mandarins must be made honest and progressive. Until this happens its capital will at most tempt a few traders to run the risks of residence. Fortunately it is not unhealthily. But when this has been said its chief recommendation has been described.

## THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS.

Commenting on the report that some of the crew of the lorcha Mandarin, which was plated some years ago, have been captured, the Press says this case strikingly illustrates the carelessness and negligence of the British authorities. Three years ago this brutal murder and conspiracy was committed, and the deed has been allowed to be almost forgotten. The public may well ask what the British Minister has been thinking about all this time. The case is a parallel one to that of the Anna, in which affair the prompt action of the German authorities contrasts strongly with the indifference displayed by the British representatives in the case of the Mandarin. It has been reserved to Prince Bismarck to show us the way to obtain prompt satisfaction for an injury. Nothing can ever be gained at Peking by temporizing and delay; that is the policy of the Chinese Government, but to ponder to it is certain to involve a loss both of influence and prestige on the part of the Minister who suffers himself to be wheedled by sophistry and excuses. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the British representatives in China that to firm in all their dealings with the natives.

## THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS.

The Chinese Mail comments on the for-

tion of a Company in Russia for the purpose of trading in the interior of China. It says if the Chinese Government allows the Russians to do this, other foreigners will be allowed for similar privileges.

The Chung Ngai San Po has no editorial in this issue.

The Universal Circulating Herald comments on the prevalence of robberies in Japan.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE cases in the Summary Court to-day were mostly settled out of Court or adjourned, and his Lordship rose at 11 a.m.

Those of our subscribers in the Harbour who did not receive their papers this morning are informed that the delivery was impeded by the bad weather.

By the S. S. Penguin we learn that the Arratoon Apoor, the steamer which left Calcutta with her, had not arrived at Singapore when the Penguin left for Hongkong.

The weather all day has been somewhat gusty, and there has been every appearance of a severe gale outside. The water rose to within a few inches of the top of the Praya Wall this morning and the wind was well from the eastward with a nasty short sea. But few boats were to be seen on this side the Bay, most of them having, no doubt, taken up snug quarters at Kowloon to be out of the reach of the threatening bad weather. The Barometer at 9 a.m. registered 29.80 and at 4 p.m. it had fallen to 29.72. We learn that the steam-launch Jessie, belonging to Mr Fairbairn, sank at her buoy near the Sailor's Home during one of the frequent heavy squalls this morning; and about 8 a.m. the German barque Hieronymus, whilst shifting her berth, fouled the Danish steamer Kjöbenhavn; she got clear, however, without sustaining any damage. The Barometer fell 2-10ths from 8 p.m. yesterday to 8 a.m. this morning; the Douglas got up steam, several vessels sent down their yards, and the topmast at the Peak was struck. We are glad to have no serious casualties to report. By the Penguin we learn that the weather has been very bad outside. She reports heavy gales from the N.N.E., with high sea from the S.E., and that the weather was so thick after reaching the Ladrones that they had to feel their way into port with the lead.

The entertainment given in the Temperance Hall last night, under the presidency of Mr W. Wilson, was not so largely attended as that on a previous occasion—owing possibly to the fewer number of men-of-war vessels in the Harbour. Readings were given by several gentlemen, and these were relieved by a song and a pianoforte solo; but while we admire the kindly feelings of those who take part in those meetings, we cannot but draw their attention to the inappropriateness of much that is done. The readings last night were all rather heavy, except that given late in the evening by one gentleman, whose amusing rendering of a nautical "yarn" was loudly applauded, and created much mirth amongst the sailors; and the entertainment "hung fire" slightly in consequence. A correspondent suggests that a programme should be circulated amongst the shipping and residents on shore, that a lamp-sign be affixed over the door of the Hall, and that more publicity be given to the institution and its benefits. These are points easily suggested, but not as easy to have thoroughly carried out. It is undoubted, however, that were the character of the entertainments, for raucous, fun and amusement, once established, there would be no lack of attendants, if a fair amount of publicity were given to them. We wish the Committee further success, and congratulate them on what has been already done.

## Manila.

The Comercio says: We have much pleasure to state that the *Atlantis glandulosa*—twelve precious plants of which were sent to our Botanic Garden by the Director General of Public Works of Hongkong—is following admirably its course of development, and acclimatization, thanks to the great care bestowed by Sr. Vidal, the worthy Director of that establishment. The spread of this plant throughout the Philippines is much recommended by all authorities, for its principal virtues, so much appreciated in China, in cases of dysentery, by the infusion of its roots.

From Ylodos Sur we learn that a smart shock of earthquake was felt on the 24th March for a few seconds.

From Tayabas reports of the crops are very satisfactory. A good outturn is anticipated.

From Iloilo we learn that the market for Sugar continues without animation, superior being quoted at \$3.80 and Common at 17 to 18 reales for plout, with little or no demand. Rice is nominally quoted, there

was a large stock of Pangasinan and Saigon in the hands of holders. Arrivals of Paddy have been large, the price being 7 reales per coyan. The few arrivals of Sapanwood have been placed on the market at 7 to 8 reales per plout. Since 16th March six vessels have arrived to take Sugar. The Christine and Canaan have left for Europe with Sugar, and there are eight vessels in port loading with that commodity.

## Police Intelligence.

May 9, 1876.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

TREASURY ON CROWN LAND.



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and CARGO, will leave this Port for the  
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Cargo and Specie will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-  
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Shipping orders will be granted till noon,  
Cargo will be received on board until  
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.  
on the 12th May, 1876. (Parcels are  
not to be sent on board; they must be left  
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.  
For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

G. DE HAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, May 8, 1876. my13

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THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF  
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United States, and Europe.  
Through Passenger Tickets and Bills  
of Lading are issued for transportation to  
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Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and  
South America, and to New York and  
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A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Com-  
pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea  
Ports, about same date, and make close  
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection  
of various lines of Steamers to England,  
France and Germany.  
Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
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is required.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, April 15, 1876. my15

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G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. jcl

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Hongkong, July 9, 1872.

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Hongkong, April 17, 1875.

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ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Hongkong, September 6, 1875. jyl

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## Intimations.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or  
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SPON, late of Bangkok, in the Kingdom  
of Siam, who died on the 8th day of July,  
1871, and whose Will was duly proved in  
the Probate Jurisdiction of the Supreme  
Court of Hongkong by WILLIAM HENRY  
BREKTON, of 29, Queen's Road, Hong-  
kong, Solicitor, to whom Letters of Admi-  
nistration with the Will annexed were duly  
granted by the said Court on the 10th day  
of March, 1876, are hereby required to  
SEND in writing the PARTICULARS of  
their Claims or Demands to the said WIL-  
LIAM HENRY BREKTON, on or before the  
1st day of July next; and notice is hereby  
also given, that at the expiration of the last  
mentioned day the said WILLIAM HENRY  
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had notice at the time of the distribution.  
Dated this 29th day of March, 1876.

W. H. BREKTON,  
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong,  
Solicitor.

## THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.

THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has  
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arranged for. Negotiations are in progress  
with the express carriers who carry the  
official despatches and *Peking Gazette*, to  
circulate the *Chinese Mail* in the interior of  
China.

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

## Intimations.

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in London, India, Australia, New Zealand,  
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Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1876. je24

Note.—By the Company's Articles of Asso-  
ciation it is provided that, after pay-  
ment to the shareholders of a dividend of  
10 per cent. per annum, one fourth  
of the residue of profits will be ratably  
divided amongst those Insurers out of  
whose business profits have been made  
during the year.

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE  
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